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Our Reference: WA-AR0312.90

Mr. Ray Hanley, Director
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Dear Mr. Hanley:

I am pleased to inform you that your amendment request for the Arkansas Home and Community-Based services waiver (HCBSW) No. 0312.90 has been approved effective July 1, 2000. This HCBSW program, as authorized under the provisions of section 1915(c) of the Social Security Act provides home and community-based services as an alternative to institutionalization in a nursing facility. This amendment has been assigned control number 0312.90.01 which should be used in all future correspondence regarding the program.

Specifically, the amendment increases the number of unduplicated recipients by one hundred (100) for each year of the waiver.

The following estimates of utilization and cost of waiver services have been approved:

| Year | Unduplicated Recipients | Factor "D" |
|------|-------------------------|------------|
| 1 | 700 | \$19,457 |
| 2 | 900 | \$19,400 |
| 3 | 1100 | \$19,364 |
| 4 | 1200 | \$19,350 |
| 5 | 1300 | \$19,338 |

For your convenience, a copy of the approved amendment is included with this correspondence. If you have any questions, please contact Cheryl Rupley of my staff at (214) 767-6278.

Sincerely,

James Randolph Farris, M.D.
Regional Administrator

Enclosure

cc: Director, Center for Medicaid and State Operations